



Call For Catholic Leadership

IMITATION OF "CICERO IN CATILINAM," I, II

Our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI, has publicly commended Catholic Action. But can Catholic Action be carried on without Catholic leadership? What is it that hinders you, Seniors, from taking up this noble work?

Is it the custom established by former graduates of Our Lady of the Angels? But the graduates of our school in the five years of its existence have given noteworthy examples of Catholic Action. Two of O. L. A.'s Seniors, Helen Listerman and Mary Fette, and one Junior, Frances Knueven, have entered the religious life. Vera Zinser heeded her calling to work in the missions in the South. Lucille Berning has become an active member in the Newman Club at the University of Cincinnati. Romaine Bumb is President of her parish sodality. Margaret Huth, Helen Busam, Mary Rose Hoffman, Marie Castelli, Pauline Clemen, Philomena Eichorn, Mary Effler and Kathleen Gilkey continued their school work in Catholic colleges, determined to be imbued with the ideals that only the Catholic school can give. Vera Young, Evelyn Zeitz, Marcella Amrein, Cecilia Davis, Dorothy Brockman, Helen Kelsey, Louise McEnery, Alice Reckers, Betty Rogers, Loretta Wimberg, Louise Bihl, Jeanette Gass, Rosemary Stoll, Marie Suer, Catherine White, Jane Evers, Stella Wuest and Florence Ravensberg as trained nurses are lessening the suffering of the afflicted.

Is it the laws enacted by the school to hold the pupils in subjection to authority that restrain you? But from the very first year O. L. A. has had Student and Religious Councils, where the girls are the leaders in encouraging and developing a true Catholic spirit and truly Catholic Action in their fellow-students.

Do you fear the odium of posterity? But you are making a fine return of gratitude to the school that has done so much for you, if on account of lack of courage, or fear of being called "good" you fail to give an example of real Catholic Action to the younger pupils. Do you not fear that you will be overwhelmed by a fire of just indignation of God and society, if instead of boldly standing for the right, you follow those who smoke, drink, dress immodestly, and lend a deaf ear to the Holy Father's call for Catholic Action in order to re-establish the reign of Christ upon earth?

Catherine Geers, '33.